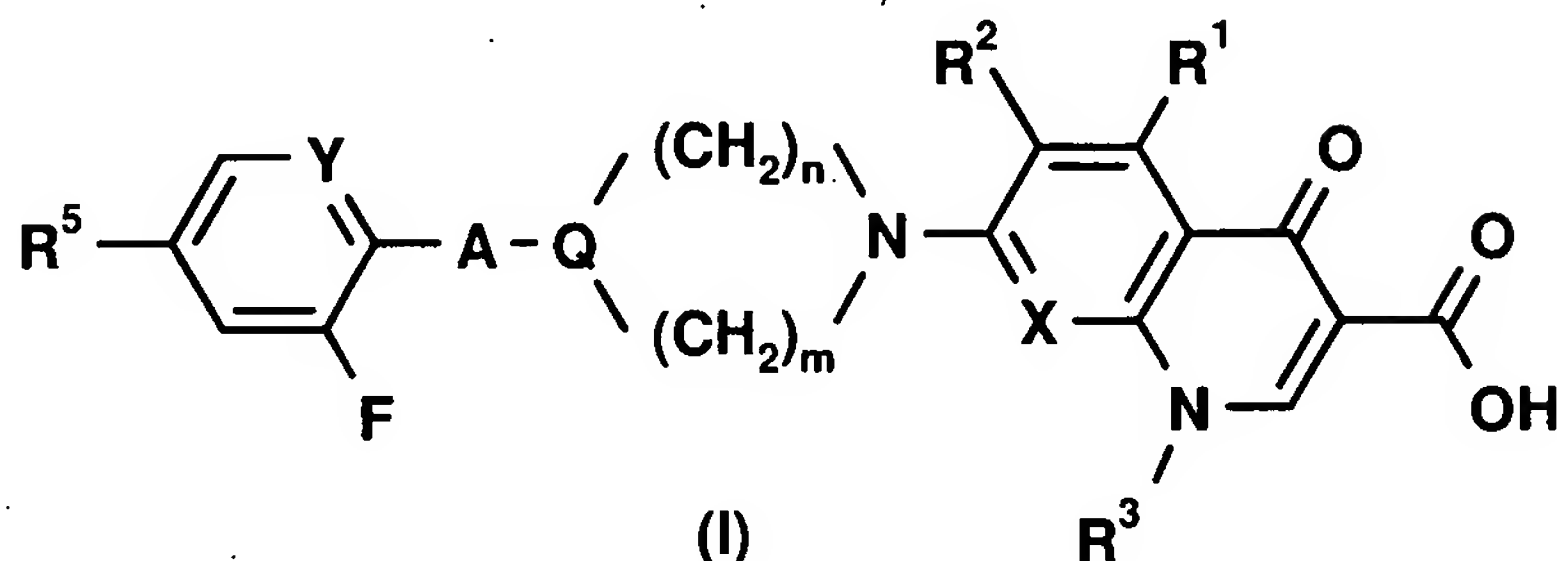


# AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-18. (canceled)

Claim 19. (Currently amended) A compound of formula (I)



wherein

A is an alkylene group, an alkenylene group, an alkynylene group, a heteroalkylene group, a cycloalkylene group, a heterocycloalkylene group, an arylene group or a heteroarylene group all of which groups may be substituted OCH<sub>2</sub>-;

Q is CR<sup>4</sup>;

X is CR<sup>7</sup> or N;

Y is CR<sup>6</sup> or N CH;

n is 2;

m is 2;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, F, Cl, Br, I, OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, an alkyl group or a heteroalkyl group;

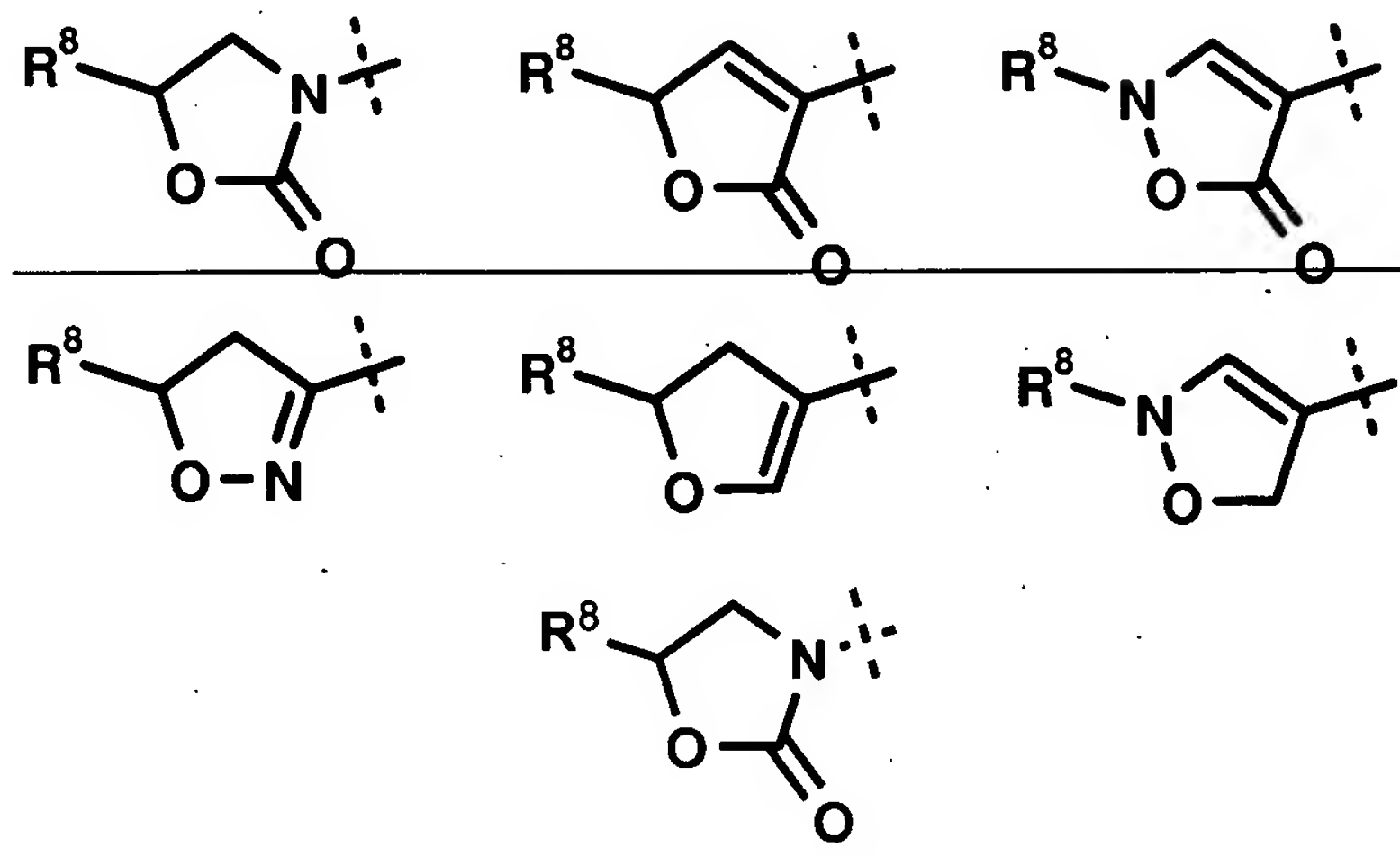
R<sup>2</sup> is H, or F or Cl;

R<sup>3</sup> is H, an ethyl, a propyl, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> cycloalkyl group, a phenyl, or a pyridyl group; ~~an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, an alkynyl group, a heteroalkyl group, a cycloalkyl group, a heterocycloalkyl group, an aryl group, a heteroaryl group, an alkylaryl group or a heteroarylalkyl group~~; all of which groups may be substituted with one, two three, or more ~~halogen~~ fluorine atoms or amino groups;

R<sup>4</sup> is hydroxy, a group of formula OPO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>9</sup>, ~~or~~ OSO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>10</sup>, OCH<sub>2</sub>OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OCOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH or a heteroalkyl group carrying at least one OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>10</sup>, PO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>9</sup> ~~or COOH group~~ or an ester of a naturally occurring amino acid or a derivative thereof, wherein the

groups  $R^9$  independently of each other are H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or aralkyl and wherein  $R^{10}$  is H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or aralkyl;

$R^5$  is selected from the following groups:



$R^6$  is H, F, Cl or OMe;

$R^7$  is H or a methoxy group, F, Cl, OH,  $NH_2$ , a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group or a substituted or unsubstituted heteroalkyl group; or

$R^3$  and  $R^7$  together form a bridge of the formula  $-O-CH_2-N(Me)-$  or  $-O-CH_2-CH(Me)-$ ; can be linked via an alkylene, an alkenylene or a heteroalkylene group or be a part of a cycloalkylene or heterocycloalkylene group; in case  $R^3$  is no H and  $R^7$  is no H, F, OH,  $NH_2$  or Cl; and

$R^8$  is a  $C_{1-6}$  heteroalkyl, a heteroarylalkyl, a heteroalkylaryl or a heteroalkylheteroaryl group,  $CH_2NHCOMe$ ;

or a pharmacologically acceptable salt, solvate, hydrate or formulation thereof.

Claim 20-22. (Canceled)

Claim 23. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 19, wherein  $R^3$  is a cyclopropyl group.

Claim 24. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein  $R^7$  and  $R^3$  together form a bridge of the formula  $-O-CH_2-N(Me)-$  or  $-O-CH_2-CH(Me)-$ , wherein the preferred stereochemistry at the chiral center is the one giving the (S) configuration in the final compound.

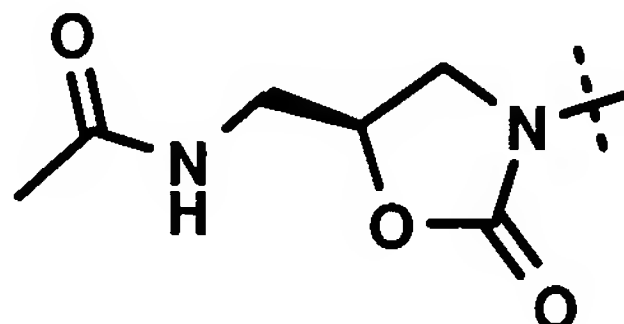
Claim 25. (Canceled)

Claim 26. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein X is N or CH.

Claim 27. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein  $R^4$  is hydroxy or a group of formula  $OSO_3H$ ,  $OPO_3H_2$ ,  $OCH_2OPO_3H_2$ ,  $OCOCH_2CH_2COOH$  or an ester of a naturally occurring amino acid or a derivative thereof.

Claim 28. (Canceled)

Claim 29. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 19, wherein  $R^5$  has the following structure:



Claim 30-32. (Canceled)

Claim 33. (Previously presented) A mono, di or tri sodium salt of a compound of formula (I) according to claim 19.

Claim 34. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 33 wherein  $R^4$  is  $OPO_3H_2$  or  $OSO_3H$  or mixtures thereof.

Claim 35. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 19.

Claim 36. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 35 further comprising one or more optionally carriers and/or adjuvants and/or diluents.

Claim 37. (Canceled)

Claim 38. (Previously presented) A method for treating a subject suffering from or susceptible to a bacterial infection, comprising administering to the subject a compound of claim 19.